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A man with a beard and mustache, wearing a maroon polo shirt, is looking down at a map he is holding. He is standing in front of a body of water, likely the Tidal Basin, with the Washington Monument visible in the background. The scene is surrounded by lush green trees and a clear blue sky with some clouds. The text "DONOVAN MAY BE NEW IN TOWN" is overlaid on the image in large, bold, white and blue letters.

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DC DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2010

THIS WEEK



Peace Talks Resume

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton will shepherd Mideast talks this week that she says may be the last chance for peace between Israelis and Palestinians. Talks will shift to Jerusalem on Wednesday.

Congress Returns

Majority Democrats are returning to Washington after a month of listening to voters angry over government spending. They face Republicans dead-set against White House plans.

Tuesday Primaries

Eight primary elections will take place on Tuesday, including Delaware's, where tea party-backed Senate candidate Christine O'Donnell is up against nine-term Rep. Mike Castle.

Coast to Coast, Tea Party Rallies

City gatherings meant to build momentum for midterm elections

Sacramento, Calif.

Tea party activists gathered in cities on each coast and in between Sunday to spread their message of smaller government and focus their political movement on the pivotal congressional elections in November.

Several thousand people marched along Pennsylvania Avenue from the Washington Monument to the Capitol, many carrying signs reading "Congress You're Fired" and "Let Failures Fail and 'Impeach Obama.'"

"It wouldn't bother me to make a clean sweep," said Michael Power of Decatur, Ala., endorsing term limits for members of Congress. "There are some good ones, but we can lose those."

In Sacramento, an estimated 4,000 people poured into the former McClellan Air Force Base site for the "United to the Finish" rally — far fewer than the 25,000 to 50,000 crowd organizers had predicted.

"We've lost respect in the world. We are going broke. The American dream is dying and our social and cultural fabric is unraveling," said Rep. Mike Pence, R-Ind., who spoke at the Washington rally. "People are scared. If we do not succeed in November, all that



Tea party activists gather at the Capitol for a "Remember in November" rally on Sunday.

Boehner: I'd Support Middle-Class Tax Cuts

House Minority Leader John Boehner says he would vote for President Obama's plan to extend tax cuts only for middle-class earners, not the wealthy, if that were the only option available. Boehner, R-Ohio, said it is "bad policy" to exclude the highest-earning Americans from tax relief. But he said he wouldn't block the breaks for middle-income individuals and families if Democrats won't support the full package. The tax cuts will expire at the end of the year unless Congress acts and Obama signs the bill.

Getting Attention

Former House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas, whose non-profit, conservative advocacy group FreedomWorks helped organize the Washington rally, said the tea parties have shaken up the Republican party and gotten attention from lawmakers. "Now we're going to the general election and its time we gave the same lessons to the other party," he told the crowd. (AP)

once was good and great about this country could someday be gone."

Many attending rallies in Washington, Sacramento and St. Louis wore red, white and blue clothing and carried yellow flags with the picture of a snake coiled above the inscription "Don't Tread On Me."

In St. Louis, they packed the area between the Gateway Arch and the Mississippi River, and vendors sold lemonade, meat on sticks, T-shirts and other souvenirs.

Organizers say the events intended to call attention to what they describe as big government run amok and to recall the sense of national unity Americans felt the day after the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. The rallies also represent an opportunity to build momentum before the November election. **KEVIN FREKING AND ROBIN HINDERY (AP)**

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Ruptured Gas Line a Known Risk

Investigators still probing cause of deadly Calif. blast

San Bruno, Calif.

Federal and state investigators say the section of natural gas pipeline that ruptured and exploded in a deadly fireball near San Francisco had been categorized as high risk because it ran through a highly populated area.

Documents obtained by The Associated Press showed that Pacific Gas & Electric submitted paperwork to regulators that said a section of the same gas line was within "the top 100 highest risk line sections" in the utility's service territory.

A PG&E spokesman confirmed Sunday that the section of pipe mentioned in the documents was on the same line as the segment that ruptured and located several



A ruptured gas pipe caused a massive explosion in San Bruno and killed four people.

miles north of the explosion.

The federal Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration said PG&E had classified the 30-inch diameter transmission line as a "high consequence area" requiring more stringent inspections called integrity assessments, agency spokeswoman Julia Valentine said. Nationwide, only about 7 percent of gas lines have that clas-

sification, she said.

The official death toll from the blast was four Sunday, and San Mateo County Coroner Robert Fouchault said they're still trying to confirm whether more remains found are human and to identify victims. Authorities have said five people are missing.

The cause of Thursday evening's blast is under investigation. (AP)

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Gas-electric hybrid vehicles make up 1 percent of new vehicle sales in the U.S.

New Drive in U.S. For Electric Cars

Administration touts revved-up production of advanced batteries

Washington

The first wave of mass-produced advanced batteries funded by the Obama administration's economic recovery program are starting to roll off assembly lines, setting the stage for new hybrid and electric vehicles. So how will consumers respond?

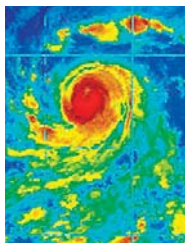
Fending off criticism of the \$787 billion stimulus program, the administration has cited the battery industry as one of the success stories. With new facilities coming online in the Midwest, battery manufacturers for the advanced vehicles are providing a test case for the government's attempt to revive the economy.

Battery maker A123 Systems Inc. planned to open a new lithium ion battery plant Monday in Livonia, Mich. About 300 workers, many for-

merly laid-off auto workers, were to join Energy Secretary Steven Chu and Michigan lawmakers to promote their production of battery cells and components. The company received \$249 million in the stimulus and plans to open a second facility next year in Romulus, Mich.

The Energy Department estimates that the 48 advanced battery and electric drive projects announced last year under the \$2.4 billion program could lead to the production of about 75,000 batteries by next year and 500,000 batteries annually by 2014.

Despite the fanfare, the battery industry faces many hurdles. Gas-electric hybrid vehicles represent about 1 percent of new vehicle sales, and many plug-in hybrids and battery electric cars are just entering the market. And costs are high. The government has estimated that a battery with a 100-mile range costs about \$33,000, although stimulus money could bring that down to \$10,000 by the end of 2015. (AP)



DEVELOPMENTS

Forecasters say

Hurricane Igor has rapidly strengthened to a Category 4 storm in the open Atlantic. It doesn't immediately threaten land, but is expected to get stronger as it moves west. Igor had maximum sustained winds of 140 mph and was moving west at 14 mph. Some additional strengthening is expected in the next two days. (AP)

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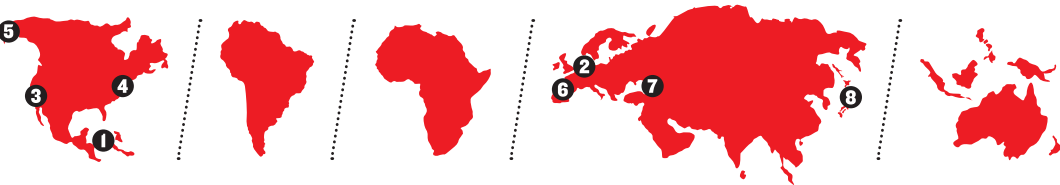


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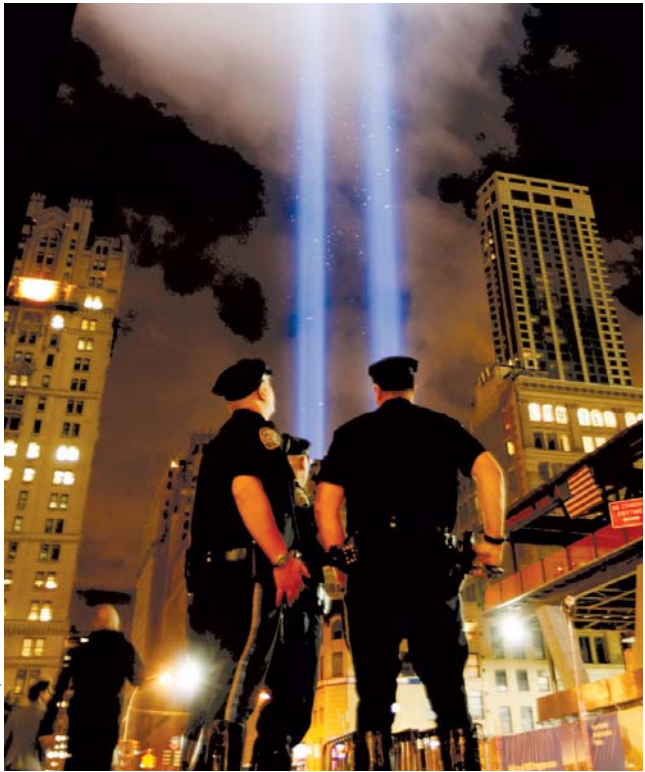
Weekend Review



1 HAVANA
Castro: Cuban Economy Quote Misinterpreted
Fidel Castro said Friday his comment — “The Cuban model doesn’t even work for us anymore” — was misinterpreted by an American journalist, taking back an admission that caused a worldwide stir. The 84-year-old ex-president said he was not misquoted but meant “the opposite” of what he was reported. (AP)

2 BRUSSELS
Former Bishop to Go Into Hiding Over Sex Scandal
Former Belgian bishop Roger Vangheluwe, who resigned in April after admitting he sexually abused a nephew for years, said Saturday he would go into hiding to assess his future, despite calls for him to leave the church immediately. (AP)

3 CHINO HILLS, CALIF.
Calif. Brushfire Burns Through 60 Acres
A brushfire burned nearly 60 acres in Chino Hills on Saturday afternoon. Chino fire department spokeswoman Massiel Deguevara says the nearly contained fire did not threaten any structures or cause any injuries. The cause of the fire is not yet known. (AP)



4 Pausing for Remembrance
Officers look at the Tribute in Light on Saturday evening as it shines above New York. The art installation is lit every year on Sept. 11. At the Pentagon, President Obama spoke during a memorial ceremony Saturday. “It was not a religion that attacked us that September day — it was al-Qaeda, a sorry band of men which perverts religion,” he said.

5 “Evidently I’m supposed to make a big announcement here, Glenn and I together ... maybe about the 2012 election or something.”

— **SARAH PALIN**, JOKINGLY ALLUDING TO SPECULATION THAT SHE PLANS TO RUN FOR PRESIDENT. PALIN SPOKE DURING A SEPT. 11 MEMORIAL EVENT FEATURING HER AND FOX NEWS COMMENTATOR GLENN BECK ON SATURDAY IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA. BECK ADDED THAT HE WOULD NOT BE A CANDIDATE.

6 LAS CUEVAS MINE, SPAIN
Spanish Miners Remain Underground in Protest
Fifty Spanish coal miners remained 1,650 feet underground over the weekend by their own choice in protest over unpaid wages and the future of an antiquated industry struggling to survive as it competes with gas-fired electrical utility plants and heavily subsidized renewable energy projects. (AP)

7 MAKHACHKALA, RUSSIA
North Caucasus Violence Leaves Two Police Dead
Several attacks in Russia’s volatile North Caucasus region have left two police officers dead and another five wounded, officials said Saturday. The attacks follow Thursday’s suicide bombing near in Vladikavkaz, the regional capital of the republic of North Ossetia, that killed 17 and wounded more than 140. (AP)

8 TOKYO
234,354
The number of Japanese centenarians who are listed in government records as being at least 100 years old but who can’t be found, according to a survey. As family ties weaken, many elderly fall through the cracks and are forgotten.

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In Brief

INSTANBUL

Push to Join EU Prompts Constitutional Changes

Turks approved sweeping changes to their military-era constitution Sunday — a referendum hailed by the government as a leap toward full democracy in line with its troubled bid to join the European Union. With 99 percent of the vote counted, 58 percent had cast ballots in favor of the constitutional amendments, state-run TRT television said. (AP)

PARIS

Filmmaker Chabrol Dies

French director Claude Chabrol, one of the founders of the New Wave movement whose films probed the latent malice beneath the placid surface of bourgeois life, died on Sunday. He was 80. A prolific director, Chabrol made more than 70 films and TV productions during his more than half-century-long career. (AP)

SEOUL

South Korea Proposes Flood Aid to North Korea

South Korea will send a list of proposed relief aid to flood-stricken North Korea and hold talks on reuniting families separated by war six decades ago, the government said Sunday, in signs of easing tensions. An overflowing river last month swamped North Korean farmland, houses and public buildings. (AP)

Iran Flexes Muscle Over Captive

Judiciary sets terms for release of hiker accused of espionage

Tehran, Iran

After a power struggle within Iran's conservative leadership put her freedom in doubt, an American woman arrested more than a year ago along the Iraq border is on the verge of heading home. Her two companions, however, could be on their way to spy trials.

Sarah Shourd could be released in the "next two or three days" — or even sooner — after \$500,000 bail is paid, said Masoud Shafiei, the Iranian lawyer for Shourd and the other detained Americans, Shane

Bauer and Josh Fattal.

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad had promised Shourd's release on Friday as a sign of Islamic compassion at the end of the holy month of Ramadan but was quickly slammed down by the judiciary — which turned around Sunday and set its own ground rules. Swiss diplomats, who represent U.S. interests in Iran because the two countries do not have direct diplomatic relations, were making arrangements to post bail.

"Based on the judiciary decision, the lady will be released," Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki said at a news conference.

But as Iranian authorities paved the way for Shourd's release on health grounds, they also appeared



Iran set bail of \$500,000 for American Sarah Shourd, who is accused of spying.

to be moving their espionage accusations into high gear. Tehran's chief prosecutor Abbas Jafari Dowlatabadi said indictments against the three Americans were issued Sunday and the prosecution's case is nearly complete.

That could mean trials for Bauer and Fattal, both 28, and proceedings in absentia for Shourd, 32. Convictions could bring prison sentences of up to 10 years each.

"The suspects did not confess, but we have enough reasons in hand for their spying charges," Dowlatabadi said.

The provisions of Shourd's bail have not been disclosed, but it's unlikely she would face a demand to return for a possible trial. BRIAN MURPHY AND NASSER KARIMI (AP)

Israeli PM: West Bank Restrictions Will Not Remain

Jerusalem

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Sunday the current restrictions on West Bank settlements will not remain in place, though there will still be some limits on construction.

Israel's 10-month freeze on new housing starts in West Bank settlements expires at the end of this month and is a key point of con-



Netanyahu

does not renew the restrictions.

Netanyahu told Mideast envoy Tony Blair, "the Palestin-

tention in newly launched peace talks with the Palestinians. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas has threatened repeatedly to quit the talks if Israel

ians demand that after Sept. 26, there will be zero building" in the West Bank.

"That will not happen," Netanyahu said. Israel will not build "tens of thousands of housing units that are in the pipeline, but we will not freeze the lives of the residents."

He did not provide details or timelines, but his statement means the ban on new housing starts would be at least partially lifted. (AP)

Hearsay

"After he was cleaned, he let off a soft cry. He was healthy, his vital signs were OK."

— AIRPORT NURSE KATE CALVO, AFTER EXAMINING A NEWBORN BABY WHO WAS FOUND IN A GARBAGE BAG THAT WAS REPORTEDLY UNLOADED FROM A PLANE IN MANILA, PHILIPPINES.

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Regulators Agree On Banking Rules

New standards are aimed at preventing excessive risk-taking

Basel, Switzerland

Global financial regulators on Sunday agreed on new banking rules designed to rein in the excessive risk blamed for triggering the credit crunch and subsequent economic crisis, an official said.

Banks will be forced to hold more and safer kinds of capital to offset the risks they take lending money and trading securities, which should make them more resistant to financial shocks such as those of the last several years.

Some banks have protested that the new rules may hurt their profitability and cause them to reduce the lending that fuels economic growth, possibly dampening a global economic recovery.

An official familiar with the talks says representatives of major

central banks agreed to the deal at a meeting in Basel, Switzerland, on Sunday. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because the deal had yet to be officially announced.

The agreement, known as the Basel III rules, is seen as a cornerstone of the global financial reforms proposed by governments following the credit crunch and subsequent economic downturn caused by risky banking practices.

Earlier this year the Brussels-based European Banking Federation warned that the new global rules forcing banks to put aside more capital could keep the eurozone economy in or close to recession through 2014.

The federation said its analysis of proposed new Basel III banking standards would limit eurozone banks' credit growth and profits, hurt the economy and prevent the creation of up to 5 million jobs in the 16 nations that use the euro.

GREG KELLER (AP)

'Day of Wrath' Protests Broken Up



RUSSIAN POLICE OFFICERS detain protesters during a banned rally in Moscow on Sunday. The "Day of Wrath" protesters rallied against Mayor Yuri Luzhkov's policies and demanded early elections for the city's parliament.

IVAN SEKRETAREV/AP

DISCOVERIES



The Cyrus Cylinder is now on display at the National Museum of Iran. The Babylonian artifact is sometimes described as the world's first human rights charter and was put on display after the government threatened to cut ties with the British Museum if it did not loan the object. It's inscribed with an account of the conquest of Babylon by the Cyrus the Great. (AP)

Fears Spread in China Over Measles Shot

Mass vaccination plan sparks outcry from skeptical public

Beijing

China's plans to vaccinate 100 million children and come a step closer to eradicating measles has set off a popular outcry that highlights widening public distrust of the authoritarian government after repeated health scandals.

Since the Health Ministry announced the World Health Organization-backed measles vaccination plan last week, authorities have been flooded with queries. Conspiracy theories saying the vac-



Children cry while getting vaccinated against measles in Beijing on Saturday.

cines are dangerous have spread by cell phone text messages.

The public skepticism has even been covered by state-run media,

which noted the lack of trust was about more than vaccines.

"Behind the public's panic over the rumors is an expression of the

citizens' demands for security and a crisis in confidence," a columnist wrote in the Chongqing Daily newspaper.

"The lack of trust toward our food and health products was not formed in one day," said the Global Times newspaper. "Repairing the damage and building credibility will take a very long time. The public health departments need to take immediate action on all fronts."

In recent years, government agencies have dragged their feet or withheld information about the spread of SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome), bird flu and, last month, an outbreak of cholera.

GILLIAN WONG (AP)

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Brand Obama No Longer Selling

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Washington

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He was everywhere. In the worst of the recession, Obama was creating jobs and spurring consumer activity — and all it required were vendors and Web sites hawking stuff that could somehow be tangent to him and his moment in history.

But even an industry that might have seemed recession-proof apparently can't survive the doldrums



New products taunting President Obama are now on the market and are hot sellers.

that hit the president near the mid-term elections.

Two years into his presidency, Obama's approval ratings have fallen like those of most of his predecessors, who tended to dip in the polls about halfway through a term.

The people who have made bank despite a bad economy are certainly taking notice.

Souvenir vendors in Washington say once-thriving sales of the garish merchandise fawning over the president are nowhere near

what they were.

Freddy Vinoya, of Souvenir World in the District, said he has seen sales, and shoppers' interest, taper off since October, when the store opened.

In Union Station, the souvenir shop once dubbed the Obama Store because of its mostly Obama-related selection has closed.

The change in Obama's political fortunes led Tini Cherkaoui, manager of Discount Souvenirs and Novelties in the District, to alter her inventory.

The merchandise touting hope and "Change We Can Believe" has been replaced by items taunting those themes.

"It used to be that anything Obama — it was just hot," she said, as a group of tourists wearing anti-Obama T-shirts milled around on the sidewalk. "Now, they're just against Obama." RICK ROJAS (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Dog Shot, Killed At D.C. Festival By MPD Officer

Washington

D.C. police shot and killed a dog in the middle of 18th Street in Adams Morgan, officials said Sunday. The shooting occurred during Adams Morgan Day, an annual festival.

The circumstances of the shooting remain in dispute, but the dog was shot and killed in the 2300 block of 18th Street around 1:40 p.m., D.C. police said.

D.C. Mayor Adrian Fenty and Council Chairman Vincent C. Gray made campaign appearances at the event ahead of Tuesday's Democratic primary in the D.C. mayor's race.

MATT ZAPTOSKY (THE WASHINGTON POST)

The Lotteries

Sunday, Sept. 12

District	
Mid-day Lucky Numbers	7-9-1
Mid-day DC 4	3-8-0-2
D.C. Five (Sun.)	2-4-4-5-8

Maryland	
Mid-day Pick 3	8-2-5
Mid-day Pick 4	8-5-0-6

Virginia	
Mid-day Pick 3	0-2-4
Mid-day Pick 4	9-3-2-5
Mid-day Cash 5	6-7-15-17-29

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a claims location. Drawings that occur after Express' deadline will be published two days later.

D.C. Schools Unveil Plan for Teacher Pay Bonuses

Washington

D.C. school officials have released details of how teachers can qualify for performance-based pay raises that could make them among the best-paid public school teachers in

the country. The increases will go toward teachers who get the best evaluations.

Those ranked highly effective may be eligible for a one-time bonus of up to \$25,000. And those who maintain that ranking for two

straight years could see their base pay rise by as much as \$26,000 a year. Sixteen percent of D.C. teachers were ranked highly effective during the last school year.

The bonuses come on the heels of a contract signed in June that

raised average teacher pay to \$81,000 a year.

Chancellor Michelle A. Rhee announced earlier this year that she had lined up \$31.5 million in private foundation support to help pay for the performance bonuses and base pay increases. (AP/THE WASHINGTONPOST)

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D.C.'s Tale of Two Styles

As the mayoral primary nears, the candidates' schedules reflect very different campaigns

Mayor Adrian M. Fenty spent Sunday morning competing in the Nation's Triathlon in West Potomac Park.

His rival in Tuesday's Democratic primary, Vincent C. Gray, visited three predominantly black churches, pumping up voters during religious services with talk of unifying the city and expanding job opportunities. Worshipers gave the front-runner a standing ovation.

The contrasting schedules of the two leading candidates for D.C. mayor heading into the final days of campaigning reflected how this year's election —

and the candidates — have targeted two separate and distinct city voters: longtime city residents and churchgoers, and newcomers who may not mind if their mayor starts his day with a triathlon.

At Adams Morgan Day, where the two leading candidates crossed paths later in the day and usually a hot spot for the mayor, Fenty discovered some of the enthusiasm that greeted him in past years had faded. He stressed to residents that he's tried his hardest to improve their quality of life with better schools, safer streets and new neighborhood amenities. "If we had only done what's popular, we wouldn't have moved the city forward," Fenty said. (THE WASHINGTON POST)



MARVIN JOSEPH/TWP

Vincent C. Gray CHAIRMAN, D.C. COUNCIL

Web site: www.vincegrayformayor.com/

Education: BA, psychology, George Washington University.

Offices and positions held: Chairman, D.C. Council, 2007-present; member, D.C. Council, Ward 7, 2005-07; former executive director, Covenant House of Washington; former director, D.C. Department of Human Services; former member, D.C. Association for Retarded Citizens.

ON THE ISSUES

What is the most urgent problem facing your jurisdiction?

We live in a city divided. Sustainable education reform, economic development and jobs programs currently do not benefit every resident. Unemployment is near 30 percent in some parts of the city, and the quality of education available to our kids depends on where they live. The mayor's office is marred by fiscal mismanagement, and cronyism runs rampant. Residents deserve better.

Why should voters elect you?

I will focus on education, jobs, public safety and restoring public trust by bringing back fiscal responsibility and ending cronyism.

OTHER MAYORAL CANDIDATES

Fenty and Gray are not alone. Leo Alexander, Sulaimon Brown and Ernest E. Johnson are also on the Democratic ballot for mayor.

ON THE ISSUES

What is the most urgent problem facing your jurisdiction?

In 2006, I promised to fix our dismal education system. I made it my top priority and my first official action when I became mayor. Under Chancellor Michelle A. Rhee's leadership, we have made unprecedented strides. Test scores have improved. We have a teachers' contract that puts student achievement first. School facilities are being renovated for the first time in decades. Although we have come a long way in a short time, education remains our greatest challenge, affecting every aspect of our community — jobs, economic development and public safety. With your support, I am committed to continuing our progress.

Why should voters elect you?

After decades of rhetoric, we're getting results — better schools, safer neighborhoods and efficient city services. I will keep D.C. moving forward.



JAH CHIKWENDU/TWP

Adrian M. Fenty D.C. MAYOR

Web site: www.fentyreelect.com/

Education: BA, English, Oberlin College; JD, Howard University.

Offices and positions held: Mayor, the District, 2007-present; member, Ward 4, D.C. Council, 2001-06; commissioner, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4C, 1999-2000; former president, 16th Street Civic Association.

In Maryland

Republican primary for governor: Former governor Robert Ehrlich is pursuing a rematch against incumbent Democratic Gov. Martin O'Malley, who kicked Ehrlich out of office four years ago. To get there, he'll have to beat the Sarah Palin-endorsed Brian Murphy. Get details about this and other primary races at projects.washingtonpost.com/elections/2010/md/.

When To Vote

Early voting: Saturday was the last day of early voting in D.C. On Friday, elections officials said that more than 15,000 residents had voted — more than 10 percent of the anticipated turnout. Polls were closed Sunday, but voters can cast ballots Monday at the One Judiciary Square office building from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Election Day: Tuesday
Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday in both Maryland and D.C. Not sure where to vote? Find your polling place at www.dcoee.org for D.C. and www.mdelections.org for Maryland.

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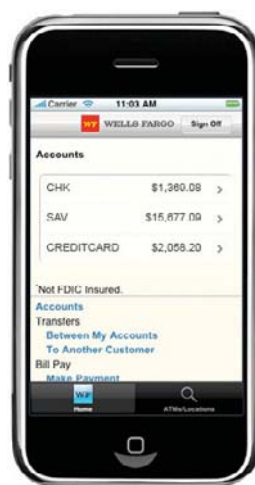


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TEXT: Text alerts to notify account holders about large transactions or low account balances are nothing new. But now customers can also use text messaging to proactively review balances and transactions. It's the most basic mobile service offered by Bank of America, Chase, Citi and Wells Fargo. At Bank of America, for example, customers can text "BAL" to "MYBOFA" to see check their accounts. To protect against identity theft, the information sent to customers doesn't include names or account numbers. Banks don't charge for the service but standard text rates apply.



APPS: One reason mobile banking is becoming more widespread is the availability of apps, which are downloadable programs designed for mobile devices. Apps are easier to navigate with mobile phones than websites that might not be properly formatted. Bank of America, Citi, Chase and Wells Fargo offer apps for the iPhone. Bank of America and Wells Fargo also offer apps for the Android, BlackBerry and Palm devices. It's worth checking what's available even if you're with a smaller regional bank or credit union, as apps have become so widespread. Apps let customers do most of the tasks they can perform on a computer, such as viewing transactions and paying bills. Select tasks, such as transferring money to an outside account, generally aren't available on apps. One app function that may soon become more widespread is the ability to make a deposit by taking a photo of a check. USAA, which provides insurance and banking services mainly to military veterans, was among the first to offer the option. But Chase also began offering the capability through its iPhone app this summer. Those who have accounts with several banks may also be interested in the apps for the Android and iPhone from the budgeting website Mint.com. As with the online version, the Mint.com apps are for tracking purposes only; users can't pay bills or transfer money.



PAYPAL: It's not exactly banking but another service that lends itself to mobile use. The online payment service lets users securely send and receive money. PayPal offers apps for Android, BlackBerry and iPhone. Another option is to check balances and make payments through text messaging. There's also a site, m.paypal.com, that's formatted for mobile web browsers. Setting up a PayPal account is free but payments made from a credit or debit card incur a fee of 2.9 percent plus 30 cents. The sender could pay the fee or opt to pass it on to the recipient for personal payments. There is no fee for personal payments drawn directly from bank accounts or PayPal balances.



QUICK PAY: One still relatively rare mobile service is the ability to make payments by passing a phone over a scanner. This is primarily available for Citi credit card holders, who can request a MasterCard PayPass sticker to attach to the back of their phone. The idea is that customers won't have to fumble through their wallets to pull out cash or a credit card. Bank of America is testing a similar service with select customers in New York City starting next week. Customers insert a chip into their iPhone or BlackBerry that lets them make payments by waving their phones over a scanner. The bank declined to say when it will become more widely available. **CANDICE CHOI (AP)**

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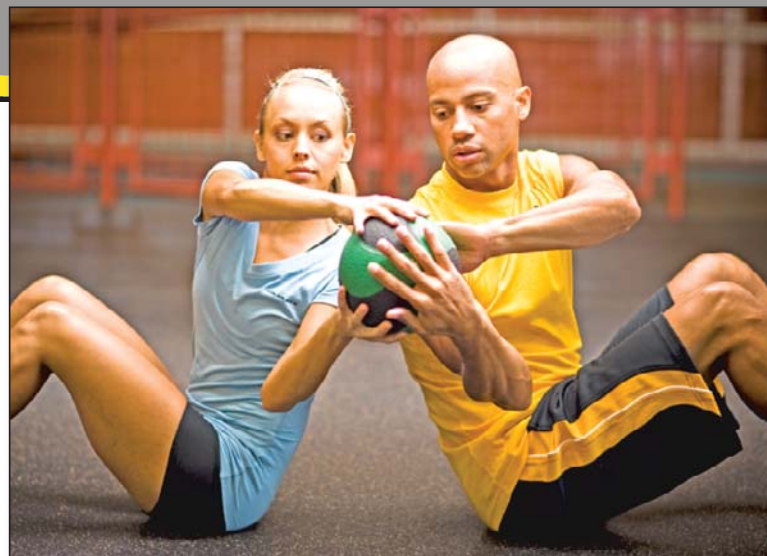
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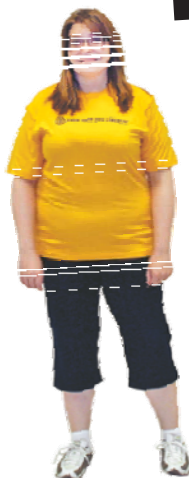
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Brady, Patriots Hammer Bengals

 **38** | **24** 

Pro Football

Tom Brady was back where he's most comfortable, on the field with Wes Welker grabbing touchdown passes.

The headline-making quarterback threw two of his three touchdown passes to Welker, who returned from a serious knee injury, and led the New England Patriots to a 38-24 win over the Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday.

The victory came just three days after Brady was unhurt in a two-car crash then agreed to a contract making him the NFL's highest paid player.

His day was made smoother by



Patriots WR Wes Welker, right, squeezes past Bengals CB Leon Hall for extra yards.

Welker, who caught eight passes for 64 yards less than eight months after tearing a knee ligament.

Chad Ochocinco and Terrell Owens combined for 19 receptions for 212 yards and a touchdown for

the Bengals, but their impact fell short of the hype that accompanied their partnership.

The Patriots' dominance was complete as they also scored on defense with Gary Guyton's 59-yard interception return and on special teams on Brandon Tate's 97-yard runback of the second-half kickoff.

Welker led the NFL with 346 receptions the past three years, the last coming on Jan. 3 in the regular-season finale at Houston.

Brady completed 25 of 35 passes for 258 yards. Palmer, forced to throw because of the big deficit, finished 34 for 50 for 345 yards and two touchdowns. Ochocinco had 12 catches for 159 yards, and Owens added seven receptions for 53 yards. (AP)

Texans' Foster Goes Bananas Against Colts

Pro Football

Arian Foster ran for a team record 231 yards and scored three touchdowns to lead the Houston Texans to a 34-24 victory over the Indianapolis Colts on Sunday.

 **34** | **24** 

Foster, an undrafted rookie who spent most of last season on the practice squad, allowed the Texans to end a six-game losing streak against Peyton Manning and the defending AFC champions.

Manning completed 40 of 57 passes for 433 yards and three touchdowns. (AP)

Sunday Recap

WEEK 1

Top Dogs



Arian Foster, RB, Texans

Arian Foster introduced himself to the league and the country with a team-record 231 yards rushing and three touchdowns against the Colts. Foster scored on runs of 1, 8 and 25 yards on his way to victory.



Chris Johnson, RB, Titans

Chris Johnson kept up his blistering pace from last season against the Raiders, with a 142 yard, 2 touchdown performance. Johnson, last year's Offensive Player of the Year, extended his streak to 12 consecutive 100-yard games by halftime.

Giants Sack the Panthers



Carolina Panthers' Matt Moore (3) fumbles as he is sacked by New York Giants' Osi Umenyiora during the fourth quarter of a 31-18 loss Sunday. Moore was 14-33 passing, with 182 yards and 1 touchdown.

Scoreboard

Saints 14, Vikings 9 (Thurs.)

Bucs 17, Browns 14

Dolphins 15, Bills 10

Patriots 38, Bengals 24

Texans 34, Colts 24

Jaguars 24, Broncos 17

Steelers 15, Falcons 9 (OT)

Titans 38, Raiders 13

Giants 31, Panthers 18

Bears 19, Lions 14

Packers, Eagles (late)

Seahawks, 49ers (late)

Late game results: washingtonpost.com

Injuries

Matthew Stafford, QB, Lions The Lions' signal-caller could be out 6 weeks with a shoulder injury sustained Sunday.

Connor Barwin, S, Texans was carted off the field in against the Colts with a dislocated ankle.

Kevin Kolb, QB, Eagles Kolb left the game with a concussion in the second quarter after getting sacked.

Leonard Weaver, FB, Eagles Weaver was carried off in tears after a gruesome knee injury ended his day.



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THE YARDAGE MILESTONE Terrell Owens passed Sunday. He's the third receiver in NFL history to reach the mark. Owens began the season with 14,951 yards.

Late Redskins Game

The Redskins' season-opening game against the Dallas Cowboys ended after Express' deadline on Sunday night. For a full recap, including reactions from players and coaches, as well as analysis from the Post | see washingtonpost.com/sports



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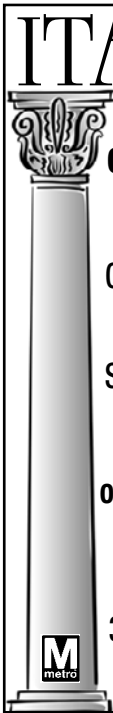
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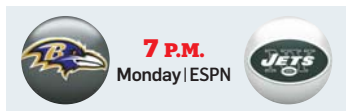
Retooled Jets feature veterans with plenty to prove this season

Pro Football

Whenever LaDainian Tomlinson and Ray Lewis meet on the field, a few bumps and bruises usually are involved.

They've played against each other plenty during their long careers, and they won't let a few bone-rattling tackles get in the way of their friendship.

"He makes some plays, we make some plays, but bottom line, it's a high-spirited competition," Lewis said. "We give it everything we've got against each other because we respect each other that much."



They'll be at it again Monday night when Lewis' Baltimore Ravens open their season against Tomlinson's New York Jets at the New Meadowlands Stadium. It'll be Tomlinson's first regular-season game with his new team after nine seasons in San Diego, and a chance to prove he's far from washed up.

He's already got a believer in Lewis. "If you watch the man play football, the man plays football better than probably any back in [the] game right now," Lewis said. "That's one thing, if



Star RB LaDainian Tomlinson left the Chargers for the Jets in the offseason.

you don't respect that, he'll hurt you with it."

Jason Taylor and Antonio Cromartie are in green and white now, and looking for fresh starts with the Jets — just as Tomlinson is.

"I think every year you have something to prove," said Tomlinson, coming off a career-low 730 yards rushing. "This, probably more so than any other year because I'm with a new team."

Throw in New York coach Rex Ryan and linebacker Bart Scott facing their old team and the Jets hosting their first regular-season game at their new \$1.6 billion stadium, and it makes for lots of old faces in one big, new place.

"It's a big deal," Ravens coach John Harbaugh said. "You have a brand-new stadium. I think that's a very momentous, historic kind of a thing and very meaningful to the Jets and their fans. We're honored to be a part of it."

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TV Lineup

PRO FOOTBALL (7 P.M., 10:15 P.M. ESPN) The first week of the NFL season comes to a close with a doubleheader: the Baltimore Ravens against the New York Jets followed by the Kansas City Chiefs hosting the

San Diego Chargers in an AFC West matchup.

NATIONALS (7 P.M., MASN2) Having clinched yet another losing season, the Nats head to Atlanta to start a series against the Braves.

Durant Powers U.S. to World Championship

Americans rip Turkey before home crowd, take FIBA gold medal

Basketball

Kevin Durant scored 28 points as the United States silenced a raucous home crowd and beat Turkey 81-64 on Sunday to win the gold medal at the world basketball championship for the first time in 16 years.

With Kobe Bryant, LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and other U.S. stars skipping the tournament, this American group was called a "B-Team."



Kevin Durant, right, celebrates after winning the world basketball championship.

But Durant led the team to its first world title since 1994 and fourth overall to restore American

prestige on the international stage. Lamar Odom added 15 points and 11 rebounds for the Americans,

who qualified for the 2012 London Olympics.

Hedo Turkoglu of the Phoenix Suns scored 16 points for the Turks, who were bidding for their first title and were boosted by huge crowd support, with fans in red filling most of the 15,000-seat Sinan Erdem Dome.

Lithuania beat Serbia for the bronze earlier in the day.

Durant, who scored 33 and 38 points in the previous two games, again led the offense. He made seven three-pointers.

Durant, the NBA scoring champion at Oklahoma City, was voted the most valuable player of the championship. (AP)

Bird, Storm Win Finals Opener

Women's Basketball

Sue Bird made a tiebreaking jumper from the foul line with 2.6 seconds left and the Seattle Storm beat the Atlanta Dream 79-77 in Game 1 of the WNBA finals on Sunday.

Angel McCoughtry had a last-second try for the Dream, but her long 3-pointer from the left side bounced off the far side of the rim at the buzzer.

The best-of-five series resumes Tuesday night in Seattle.

League MVP Lauren Jackson had 26 points and eight rebounds for Seattle. Camille Little had 18 points and 11 rebounds. (AP)

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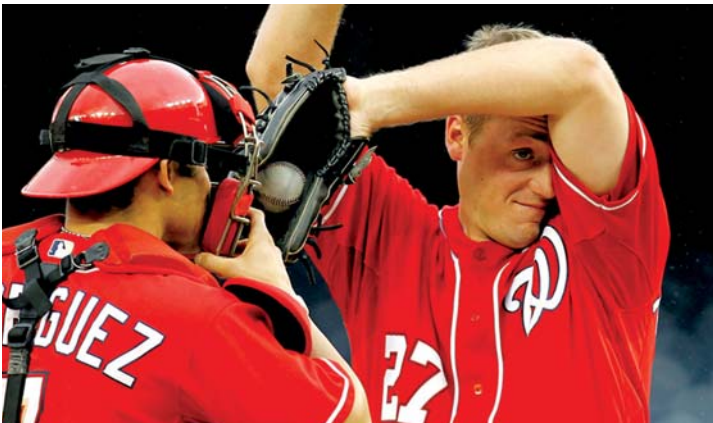
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Sports



Jordan Zimmermann, right, lasted just three innings in the Nats' loss on Sunday.

Marlins Sink Nats Again for Sweep

The Nationals

Mike Stanton homered twice and drove in three runs, and the Florida Marlins beat the Washington Nationals 6-5 Sunday for a three-game sweep.

Florida won 10 of its last 11 games against Washington to win the season series 13-5. The last-place Nationals have lost five in a row overall, falling a season-high 23 games under .500 at 60-83.

Chris Volstad, bidding to become the first Marlins pitcher to go 5-0 against an opponent in one season, allowed five runs — four earned — eight hits and three walks in 4 2/3 innings.

Brian Sanches (1-2) won in relief, striking out four in 1 2/3 innings, and Clay Hensley got three outs for his third save in six chances, finishing 4 1/3 hitless innings for the Marlins' bullpen.

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Late game results: washingtonpost.com

Making his fourth start since returning from elbow ligament replacement surgery in August last year, Jordan Zimmermann (0-1) received his first major league decision since a loss to the Cubs on July 18, 2009. He allowed five runs — four earned — five hits and three walks in three innings, throwing 80 pitches. Ivan Rodriguez had three RBIs for the Nationals. (AP)

RANKINGS

The combination of impressive victories by Alabama and Ohio State and a stunning loss by Virginia Tech to James Madison led to Boise State losing all but one of its first-place votes in the AP Top 25. The Broncos were still No. 3, behind the top-ranked Tide and No. 2 Buckeyes in the poll released Sunday, but the gap has widened. (AP)



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She Has Friends In High Places

A ministry career led Mandy Keithan to fly

Dream Jobs

Life is about risk, Mandy Keithan says. Life is beauty and courage, teaching and learning. It swings between highs and lows. Hers are just more literal than most people's.

Keithan, 32, is a full-time D.C. trapeze instructor. It's not your everyday career path.

But though she never planned to support herself by flying through the air, this way of life is like a homecoming.

Keithan's father toured for a year as a circus clown. He married and — their daughter explains — “when you have a pretty girl who doesn't know what to do, you have her ride an elephant in the opening parade and help with the dog act.” The pair soon retired into civilian life in Cleveland, which later annoyed young Mandy when she realized what she'd missed.

But another path beckoned. At 16, the rebellious Jewish girl was invited to a Unitarian Universalist service. The liberal, non-theistic religion “was the fit I needed to sort

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Mandy Keithan beat her fear of heights — by dangling from on high at Trapeze School New York's former Baltimore branch. She now teaches at TSNY in D.C.

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through who I was and what I needed,” she says.

After choosing courses with an eye toward eventual UU ministry, Keithan moved from the University of Pittsburgh to New Jersey to Washington to lead religious education at the UU Church of Silver Spring. It was “a big and wonderful job” working with 160 children and youth and 50 adult volunteers.

Six years later, she still loved the work. “But it was exhausting in a way it hadn’t been,” she says. With reflection and therapy, she realized, “I was burned out and wanted

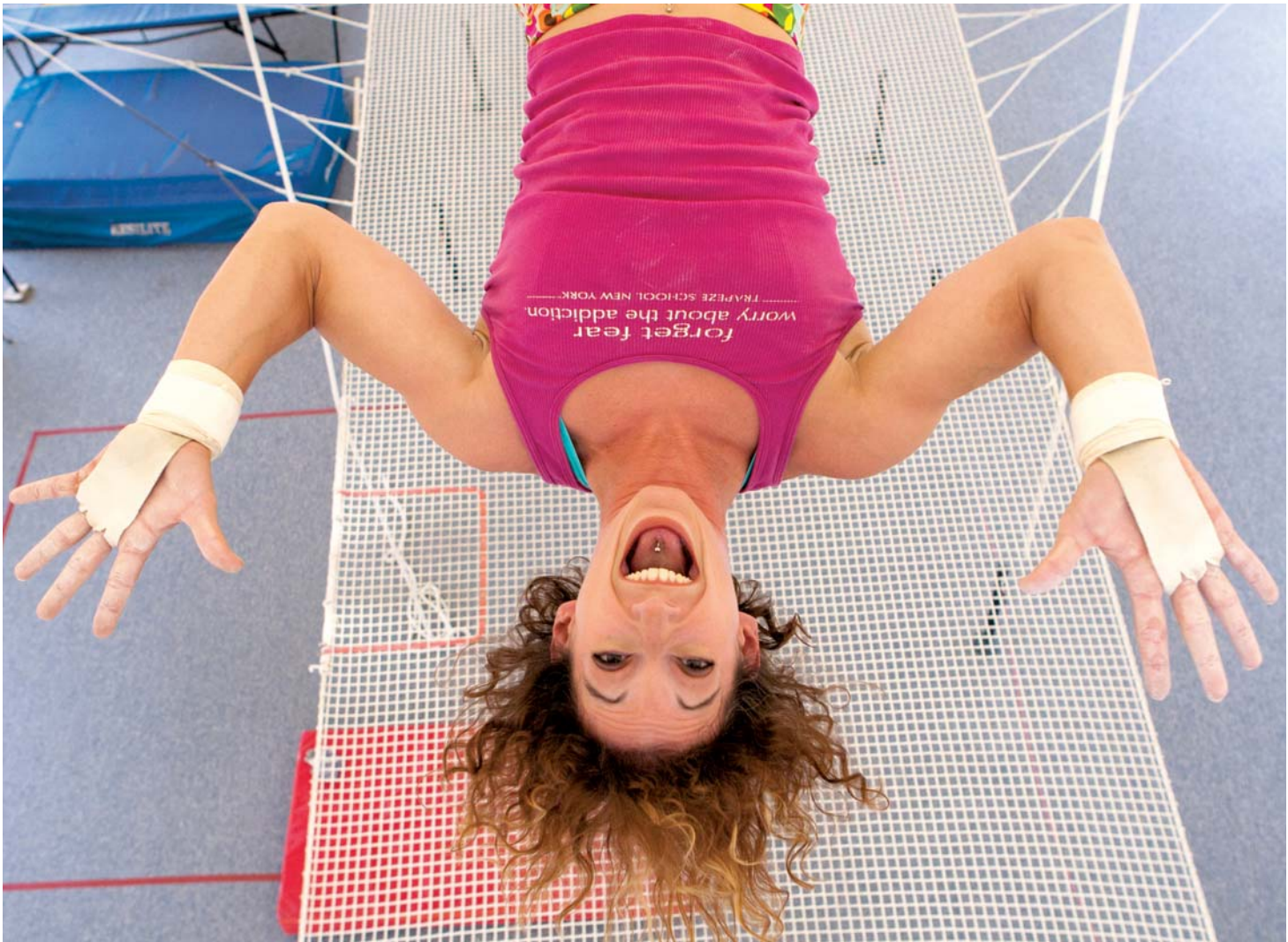
“I teach people to do things they didn’t think they could do. When they ... roll off the net, their smiles are exhilarating.”

something new.” Starting in June 2007, Keithan gave herself a year to figure out what that was.

Meanwhile, a friend had mentioned taking classes at the Baltimore branch of Trapeze School New York (410-459-6839, trapeze-school.com), and Keithan had tried it too. Now she asked the school’s president, “If I were really going to focus on this, how would I do it?” He said she could train to get really good as a flyer — or to be a teacher. Aha!

From August to November, she drove to Baltimore almost daily and learned to coach and catch, holding students by the belt and handling safety lines. No longer just a student — “I thought of it like a trade school” — she didn’t pay but also didn’t get paid.

“Our purpose is not to train professional trapeze artists, though some have turned professional,” says TSNY rig manager Scout Day. Among its half dozen full-time and dozen part-time teachers have been a ski instructor, a rock-climbing instructor and a mover. What they



After six years of managing religious education, Keithan found she was burned out and wanted something new. She gave herself a year to find a new line of work.



Keithan's background in gymnastics and yoga helped her excel at trapeze work.

have in common, Day says: teaching or coaching experience; athleticism, especially gymnastics or diving; enthusiasm and patience.

“All performers negotiate their own rate and are pretty secretive about it,” says Day, a former circus

clown. The Bureau of Labor Statistics says nationwide, “entertainers and performers, sports and related workers” make a mean of \$15 an hour. Simply Hired lists an average circus salary as \$35,000 a year; CNN reported that “an established

artist” with Cirque du Soleil can earn more than \$100,000.

Hanging upside down from her knees turned out not to be so different from managing religious education, says Keithan: The woman who’d feared heights was now “helping others unlock and learn to trust” and express themselves in new ways. “It touches mind, body and spirit,” she says. “I try to do the work as if it’s ministry.”

When the outdoor school opened in spring 2008, Keithan was a full-time instructor. In 2009, the school moved to Gallery Place, a location whose visibility allowed for expansion. Besides static and acrobatic trapeze, classes include trampoline, partner acrobatics, aerial hoop and “aerial silks — like Cirque du Soleil.”

Last February, the school moved

again, beside the Navy Yard at Fourth and Tingley streets SE. (Its next staff-and-student show is Sept. 17 at 8:30 pm; tickets are \$5.) Ages 6 and up can take classes, both indoors and out. No expertise is needed to try, but Keithan finds that her own background in gymnastics and yoga helps.

Students range from daredevils to co-workers to singles groups, and, like Keithan, many return for more. “I teach people to do things they didn’t think they could do,” she says. “When they come down and roll off the net, their smiles are exhilarating.”

This flyer’s advice for potential students could equally apply to career changers. “Don’t wait until you’re not nervous,” says Keithan. “Your instincts are right. If you want to do something, go for it.” ELLEN RYAN

From Free Time to Full-Time

Brave souls abandon desk jobs to change hobbies into careers

New Endeavors

As a child, Suann Song loved stationery the way other girls adored Barbie dolls or stuffed animals. "I would always write thank-you notes," she says. "I even have photos of me collecting paper when I was little."

That love affair continued after Song grew up. She still dabbled in the world of paper while working in PR and development at the Ken-

nedy Center, creating invitations for family and friends. Then a class in letterpress printing inspired her to take the next step. "In the first 45 minutes, I knew that whether it be a hobby or a business, I wanted to do it in whatever capacity I could," she recalls.

These days, Song, 32, is paid to indulge her passion for paper. Through her company, Simple-song Design (Simple-songdesign.com), she crafts calling cards, invitations and note cards that offer a modern spin on a classic process. (Letterpress printing, in which ink is applied to a raised service that's then pressed onto paper —



A class in letterpress printing convinced Suann Song to go pro with her passion.

is hundreds of years old.) "I consider myself fortunate to be able to take something I really love doing and make it into a business," she says.

As Song has learned, turning a hobby into a money-making venture can make work feel more like play. And whether spurred by a lackluster job market or simply a desire to follow one's bliss, more people are making that switch. The payoff can be tremendous, but so can the risks. Which makes it vital to do your homework before ditching your cubicle for a camera or chef's hat.

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Free Time

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The first step: Determine if there's a market for your product or service. Start out with friends and family and then take your idea to a larger audience — through a blog or craft fair, for example — to see what level of interest you get. "You need to know that people are responding to it," says Meg Mateo Ilasco, co-author of "Creative, Inc.: The Ultimate Guide to Running a Successful Freelance Business" (\$17, Chronicle Books). "If they're not, it's a sure way to know that you should be creating something else or not doing it at all."

Everyone may want one of your homemade scarves for Christmas, but that doesn't automatically mean knitting's your true calling. "You may have something as an interest but not necessarily have the aptitude to do it all day," says Anthony Spadafore, director and senior career coach at local career counseling firm Pathfinders (703-



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Expect to invest a lot of time

and effort into your new endeavor, especially in its infancy. "If you're quitting your nine-to-five job because it's too stressful and requires too much work, then getting into a freelance business is not for you," says Ilasco. "You're going to be working more hours and it will be more stressful than what you're already doing."

Putting in 12 to 13 hours a day, seven days a week was the norm for Joel Finkelstein when he first turned his taste for freshly roasted coffee into his profession. The former freelance writer turned full-time coffee roaster still puts in lots of time operating Fresh Off the Roast (Freshofftheroast.com) and coffee shop Qualia Coffee (3917 Georgia Ave. NW; 202-248-6423), both in Petworth.

"I took my first vacation in over a year and a half in August," says Finkelstein, 38. "You have to real-

ly love what you're doing. If you don't, the hours are brutal and the workload is brutal, and it will destroy you."

So could your finances, if you don't know what you're getting into.

"Most young business startups aren't expected to produce a profit for three to five years," says Spadafore. "You have to be comfortable with uncertainty and have a plan in terms of savings." In many cases, it's ideal to keep your day job until your new undertaking brings in enough money to pay the bills.

A supportive significant other can make it much easier to take the leap. That Song's husband was the primary breadwinner and benefits provider made it easier for her to strike out on her own. "If I had



Suann Song now prints custom invites and more at her Old Town Alexandria studio.

"I consider myself fortunate to be able to take something I really love doing and make it into a business."

— SUANN SONG, PRINTER

been single or had to completely rely on it as my sole income, I think it would have been different," she says.

Be sure to factor in the expenses that accompany any startup. For Cormier, that meant camera lenses and props for her typically pint-sized subjects. For Song, it was snagging a spot at the Hive at 1511, a studio space in Old Town

Alexandria shared by Song, a photographer and a wedding-planning business. And for Finkelstein it was a commercial roaster and a proper spot in which to house it. "That was a pretty big jump," he says. "There's an immense amount of startup costs with any kind of physical retail space."

While Song is already turning a profit, Finkelstein and Cormier are still working toward that goal. Even so, they all have a sense of fulfillment that often comes with mixing business with pleasure.

"I still get excited to come home and sit at my computer and edit pictures," says Cormier. "It's definitely a little more stressful doing photography for people who are paying me to. But I'm doing something I love."

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Sing: I Wanna Hold That Hand

Poker skill can yield rewards, from small pots to casino hauls

Cash on the Side

Those who make money at poker talk about two kinds of games: poker, and winning poker. The difference is in commanding strategies that lessen the dependence on flirting with Lady Luck — and can pay off handsomely as a part-time pursuit.

These days, “poker” is nearly synonymous with Texas Hold ‘em, the so-called “Cadillac of poker games,” burnished by the maxim that it takes just minutes to learn and a lifetime to master.

For novices to beat equally untrained peers, start with simply patience and discipline, says Ken Adams, a D.C. attorney who’s amassed more than \$250,000 in tournament winnings and offers occasional mentoring through his



Cindy Albert got her start in poker by studying books, magazines and TV shows.

Washington Poker School. Casual players tend to play every hand because it’s fun, he says: “They’re not there to fold, they’re there to play.”

Cindy Albert, of Germantown, Md., took up poker six years ago. After a few years of diligence she began to see a prof-

it, and overall has won more than \$45,000 in tournaments.

“If you’re serious about making money at poker, you need to be a student of it,” says Albert, an organizer of the Poker Chicks group on Meetup.com. She absorbed wisdom through books like Doyle Brunson’s Super System and the Harrington on Hold ‘em series; magazines like

“If you’re serious about making money at poker, you need to be a student of it.”

— CINDY ALBERT, POKER CHAMP

Bluff and Card Player; and televised Hold ‘em — a treasure of pros negotiating hands, informed commentary and post-game interviews.

Before risking cash, players like Albert hone their skills on websites that offer free play alongside money games; among the biggest are Full Tilt Poker and PokerStars. There is no federal, D.C., Maryland or Virginia law barring people from playing poker online, says John Pappas, executive director of the Poker Players Alliance, even though the poker websites themselves are in murkier legal territory. Home games, too, are legal so long as the host is not profiting from organizing the game, he says.

But online poker doesn’t offer

experience at reading and controlling physical cues, so players also hit free leagues that set up in area restaurants and bars.

Robert Costner’s Red, White, and Blue Poker League, in northern Virginia, attracts lots of beginners since “it costs you nothing to lose,” he says. Costner, of Arlington, was an I.T. contractor but now splits his time running the league and playing poker (decent players like himself should be able to make \$500 a day at a casino, he says).

Winning poker is equal parts psychology, math and luck, says Costner. Crafted skills can get you far, but “aren’t going to do you any good if statistically what we call luck intervenes and throws you a wrench in the face. And that you can’t do anything about but learn to be a good sportsman.”

“On any given day can you lose money? Of course,” says Ken Adams. “The question in the long run is: How little do you lose on your losing hands and how much do you win on your winning hands?” **DANNY FREEDMAN**



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Jay Carmona, 24

JOB: Action strategist, GetEQUAL (Getequal.org)

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WHAT SHE DOES: "I get paid to cause trouble — strategic, nonviolent trouble," says Carmona, who organizes advocates of the LGBTQ community to demand full legal and social equality. "I ask what the community wants — we all throw out ideas and then strategize to see what needs to be done." She rounds people up for marches and rallies, and has coordinated sit-ins of Nancy Pelosi's offices to decry the Speaker of the House's refusal to bring the Employment Non-Discrimination Act to a vote on the House floor.

Another protest she masterminded saw service members handcuffing themselves to the White House fence in objection to Don't Ask, Don't Tell. "I figure out the most effective way to attract the most attention to an LGBTQ issue," she says. "We are creating a dialogue on why don't we have [that] protection." Tech-minded Carmona leverages social media, recruiting supporters via e-mail blasts, Facebook and Twitter. "Also good old-fashioned going out to bars with flyers and talking to folks," she says.

WOULD YOU WANT HER JOB?

Good listening skills are required: Carmona lends her ear to victims of violence against the LGBTQ community and encourages them to make their voices heard. "I work with a community that's been really marginalized and specifically brutalized. What's in people's past is one of the biggest factors that keeps them from speaking up later," she says. "Every day I watch LGBTQ people, who are told that they are less than whole human beings, stand up for themselves and that is my payoff."

HOW SHE GOT THIS JOB: After completing a bachelors degree in community organization at the University of California, Santa



Jay Carmona leads an action meeting for GetEQUAL members last Thursday.

"Every day I watch LGBTQ people, who are told they are less than whole human beings, stand up for themselves."

Cruz, "I did what I call 'freelance troublemaking,'" says Carmona. She co-founded a group in California called "One Struggle One Fight," which organized protests against the California Supreme Court ruling that upheld Proposition 8. "It was really grassroots. We just said, 'Hey, we're mad!'" She gathered more than 100 angry citizens for an "intersection occupation" in San Francisco after the court's decision, holding a banner across traffic lanes. Carmona got a

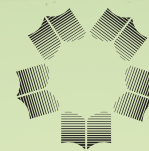
call from GetEQUAL early this year asking her to spearhead its new D.C. office.

HOW YOU CAN GET THIS JOB:

Learn to rile up your comrades from those already doing it: "Go to the city council meetings and find out who are the loud ones talking on microphones," says Carmona. "Learn person-to-person skills from them and make connections." The Midwest Academy (Midwestacademy.com) will hold a training workshop at the Conference Center for the Maritime Institute in Linthicum Heights, Md., from Nov. 15 to 19. The D.C.-based New Organizing Institute (Neworganizing.com) offers the intensive LGBT BootCamp (dates to be announced). To get involved with GetEQUAL, just track down Carmona: "You can catch me at LGBTQ events, and sign up for e-mail updates at Getequal.org." **ROBYN MINCHER**

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Christina Haley, 21, checks her work e-mails as she walks to the Metro in June. Family connections helped her land a full-time job.

An All-Out Effort

Graduating into a grim job market, the class of 2010 made the hunt a full-time endeavor

Job Search

One year ago, the Class of 2009 left college and jumped into one of the worst job markets in history.

Cautionary tales about the real world were quickly passed down to younger students: Searching six months for a job, waitressing and bartending stints, moving home with mom and dad, racking up more debt.

"Many of my best friends graduated last year. One out of five has a 'career job,'" said Christina Haley, 21, who just graduated from Marymount University in Arlington County.

"We all had seen a couple of years of people graduating and not finding jobs," she said. "It put the fear in us to start earlier, to pull strings so that we wouldn't be stuck."

Several career center directors from around the region say the vibe is different in the Class of 2010.

"Many of my best friends graduated last year. One out of five has a 'career job.'"

— CHRISTINA HALEY, A 2010 GRADUATE OF MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY, ON THE DAUNTING JOB PROSPECTS SHE AND HER CLASSMATES FACED UPON GRADUATION.

Instead of debating salaries and benefits, many students set their sights on simply getting a job. They begged for internships. They hyper-networked and filed dozens of applications. They often locked in on early offers rather than holding out for something better.

And some 2010 grads decided to wait things out. This academic year, more have taken the Law School Admissions Test than last year.

Teach for America, which recruits for hard-to-staff public schools, received a record 46,000 applications for this year's class and was the top employer at some universities.

"People have not waited for the dream job because they don't think

it will ever open up," said Beverly T. Lorig, the director of career services at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va.

A national survey of about 13,000 graduating seniors found that 39 percent had received job offers and 59 percent of those students accepted them, according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers. That's higher than last year, when 40 percent of seniors got offers but only 45 percent of them accepted. The result is that 24.4 percent of 2010 graduates reported having a job before graduation, up from 19.7 percent of the Class of 2009, according to the survey.

Several career centers saw record numbers of students at the beginning of the school year in September and October: More seniors wanted to start their job search early, more underclassmen wanted to find internships and more out-of-work alumni wanted help.

To keep up with the traffic, career centers had to be creative with resources — after all, this is not a time when universities are bursting with extra cash. The University of Maryland at College Park

moved some of its career services online, shortened one-on-one appointment time slots and offered more clinics. Catholic University, in the District, upped its outreach to employers, added more walk-in and evening hours, shortened consultations to 30 minutes and reviewed more resumes by e-mail, usually from home on the weekends.

Simone Smith, 22, who graduated in May from George Washington University in the District, watched the unemployment rate her entire senior year and realized that she had to do something drastic to land a job in the California Bay

Area, where her parents live.

Her dream job: being a professional millennial generation trend-spotter.

Her plan of action: Apply for at least 100 jobs.

Backup plan: Live at home, do freelance work.

Smith created accounts on several career Web sites. She set up an RSS feed for relevant job listings that popped up on Craigslist. Then, she applied to everything she could find.

"It's hard to get used to rejection. It isn't just your experience and resume that they are reject-

ing — it's you," she said. "If I apply to 100 jobs, then I will get used to that rejection."

She easily hit 100 applications by the Sunday in mid-May when she graduated. She moved home that Monday, and started job interviews Tuesday.

Before the end of the week, she had an offer to be an online marketing and community coordinator for HubPages, a compilation of blogs from across the country. She canceled her other interviews and signed a contract.

Kristin Parris was one of the unlucky ones. Parris was one of

20 honors students to graduate from Howard University's business school, in the District. Typically, those top graduates receive six or seven job offers each during their first semester of senior year.

Such calls during the past two years have become much rarer, and the director of the honors program said some recruiters who once called her looking for students to hire are now calling to see whether she has heard of job opportunities for themselves.

This year, the offers didn't come until second semester. The most offers anyone had was three — and

Parris didn't get a single one.

"I never in a million years thought I would graduate and not have a job. I never, ever thought I would," said Parris, 22, who searched for months for a human resources position.

Soon after graduation, she signed up for a two-week seminar that teaches the basics of media sales and began to learn the trade from scratch, hoping the connections she made would land her a job.

"I could do sales," she said. "I never thought that I would. But I could do it." JENNA JOHNSON (THE WASHINGTON POST)

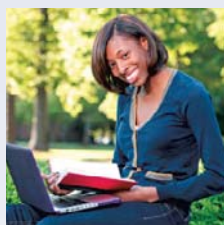
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Blue Collars Are in Fashion

A growing number of the college-educated are rejecting cubicles and taking up trades

Career Paths

Armed with a bachelor's degree in theology from Notre Dame, Adam Osielski was pondering a route well traveled: law school.

He watched his friends work long hours as paralegals while studying law and weighed the all-encompassing commitment. That was five years ago. Today, Osielski, 29, is a journeyman electrician rather than a law firm associate. Or, as Osielski might say with his minor in French, an *électricien*.

In a region where 47 percent of Washington area residents have a college degree, the highest rate in the nation, Osielski is among a small but apparently growing number of the college-educated who are taking up the trades.

They started out studying aerospace engineering, creative writing and urban planning. But somewhere on the path to accumulating academic credentials, they decided that working with their hands sounded more pleasant — and lucrative — than a lot of white-collar work. So bye-bye to term papers and graduate theses, and hello to apprenticeships to become plumbers, electricians, auto mechanics and carpenters.

For Osielski, the attraction was natural. After graduating from Notre Dame, he spent two years in Haiti working with a charity building schools, but he wasn't allowed to do the one task that seemed most intriguing: wiring the electricity.

When he returned from Haiti, he began working as a furniture mover in the District to pay the bills and discovered the satisfaction that comes with an empty truck at the end of a day. A legal career seemed too much like drudgery.



Jarrad Taylor repairs natural gas pipes at an old hospital building in downtown Washington. Taylor studied mechanical engineering at Penn State before changing course.

“My parents told [my boss] to work the hell out of me so I’d run back to college. Seven years later, here I am.”

— JARRAD TAYLOR, WHO ATTENDED PENN STATE FOR TWO YEARS BEFORE A SUMMER JOB WORKING AS A PLUMBER’S ASSISTANT LED HIM TO APPLY FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP.

“I have friends my age who are just deciding to go to graduate school,” said Osielski, who graduated this month from an apprenticeship program run by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 26 in Lanham. “I’m glad to be already working and developing a career.”

Economists and labor scholars say the rocky economy has been a boon for trade schools. But they also point to policymakers, guidance counselors and parents who don’t value the trades and overval-

ue college as the gateway to success. As a result, American students come to trade apprenticeships relatively late, often after they’ve already tried college. The average age of the beginning apprentice in the United States is 25; in Germany it’s 18.

“It’s hard to get high school counselors to point anyone but their not-very-good students, or the ones in trouble, toward construction,” said Dale Belman, a labor economist at Michigan State University. “Counselors want everyone to

go to college. So now we’re getting more of the college-educated going into the trades.”

Jarrad Taylor, for one, always assumed while growing up in Pennsylvania that he would attend college. An honors student in high school, it’s what his guidance counselors advised him to do. It’s what his mother and father, who was a machinist and welder, wanted for him.

So he attended Penn State for two years, taking courses in engineering and creative writing. Then he went looking for a summer job. A family friend who is a plumber needed an assistant for a job in the Washington area, and Taylor’s parents urged him to go.

“My parents told him to work the hell out of me so I’d run back

to college,” said Taylor, now 30. “Seven years later, here I am.”

Taylor was accepted into an apprentice program run by unions for plumbers, pipe fitters and sprinkler installers. He now works for a mid-size construction firm in Maryland and vacations in Europe.

Apprentices start out getting paid half the scale for experienced workers, with raises every six months. Ultimately, many make as much or more as they would in jobs requiring a college degree. Licensed journeymen can expect to be paid \$65,000 to \$85,000 a year, depending on overtime.

Local apprentice programs, which typically last five years, are swamped with applicants nowadays. The electricians’ union pro-

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gram, for example, has 2,500 applications for 100 slots. And nearly 4,000 want to get one of the 300 slots at plumbers and pipe fitters school.

The number of openings varies each year depending on the amount of work contractors expect, so virtually all apprentices are working full-time.

These will not be the people you call to fix a clogged toilet or plaster a hole in the drywall. Most gravitate to commercial construction, where digital equipment has made the ability to decipher tech-

nical manuals and complicated building codes crucial. Many aspire to be foremen or own their own business.

Nationwide, 550,000 people are enrolled in registered apprenticeship programs, according to the Labor Department, and the number of students in unregistered programs might be almost as high.

But determining how many went to college is difficult. Bureau of Labor Statistics surveys from 2009 show that more than 7 percent of workers in the construction trade have at least a bachelor's

degree, up from less than 6 percent in 1990 and 2000. The surveys are small, though, and not statistically reliable.

In the early 1970s, Robert Glover, an economics professor at the University of Texas, studied apprenticeship programs in nine cities. He found that 27 percent of journeymen in six construction trades had at least 13 years of schooling. Among the tradesmen he interviewed was an electrician with a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering and a bricklayer who

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was listening to classical music on the radio.

“It woke me up,” he said. “There is a strong anti-manual-work bias in this country. I fell prey to it, too.”

Brian Jones, 30, sometimes feels it. Originally from southern Virginia, he studied physics on an academic scholarship to McDaniel College in Westminster, Md., hoping to get a job as an engineer with NASA or an aviation company after he graduated in 2002. He watched friends with lower grades land jobs through family contacts, but he couldn’t find one. Then a friend suggested that he could make as much money as an electrician.



What a blue-collar career may lack in prestige, it may make up for in job satisfaction.

He just finished his third year as an apprentice.

“It’s not the same as a job with, say, Lockheed, with a lot of office politics,” he said. “In the electrical trade, your knowledge and actions speak for themselves. The only downside is the prestige. If you say you work for a multinational, half-trillion-dollar company, versus, ‘I’m an electrician,’ it doesn’t have the same ring.”

That doesn’t matter to Rateeluck Puvapiromquan, 30, the daughter of two teachers who immigrated to Baltimore from Thailand. She decided to become an electrician when the only jobs she found after graduating from St. Mary’s College in 2001 with a degree in the philosophy of religion were in coffee shops and hotels. Her friends, who have gone on to get

master’s degrees or doctorates, are proud of her.

“They tell me they’re intrigued, amazed and proud they know a woman electrician,” she said. “I don’t understand the idea that if you go to college, manual labor is beneath you. The critical thinking and communication skills I learned in college are absolutely crucial to getting our work done.”

But Taylor, the Penn State dropout, admits that it was hard on him when his friends graduated and he didn’t. “When people asked me what I do, I’d say, ‘I’m a plumber.’” He cups his mouth with his hand and bows his head while he whispers this. “Now I’m proud of it. Most of my friends from college are in IT. And I have more discretionary income than all of them.” **CAROL MORELLO (THE WASHINGTON POST)**



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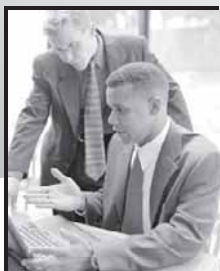
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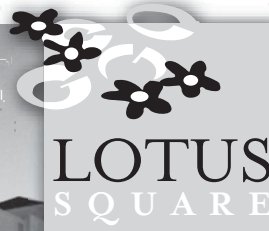
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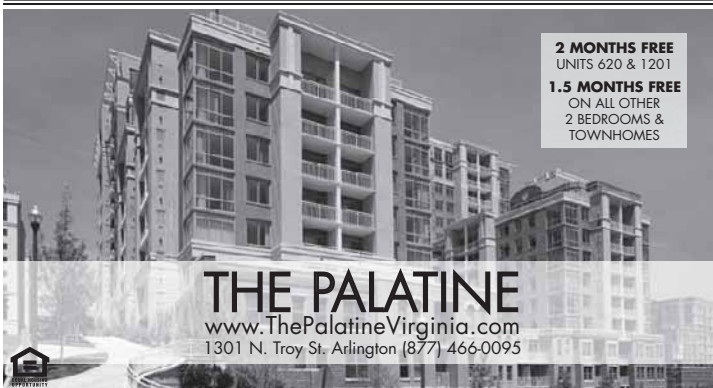
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Booze Clues

Drink Knowledge

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So we’re going to assume that if you like to drink, you want to know more about the stuff you drink. Bartender JP Caceres is hosting a beginner’s cocktail-making class at Againn (1099 New York Ave. NW), where participants can learn how to make an old fashioned, a daiquiri, a sazerac and a couple other drinks you may or may not remember all that clearly once you’ve sampled all the booze Caceres is trying to teach you about. The workshop takes place this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., and costs \$35 — which is about the cost of four cocktails, so we’d call it a deal. Call 202-639-9830 for reservations, and eat lots of protein beforehand. The suffering bastard, the greatest hangover remedy in the world, is sadly missing from the session’s lesson plan.

Say You Don’t Care

If none of the above applies to you — if your aim at the bar is to forget your troubles as quickly and cheaply as possible without running into too many college students — then may we direct you to Chadwick’s (3205 K St. NW), a dark Georgetown pub where happy hour (daily between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. and all night Tuesdays) brings \$2 bottled beers, \$2 house wine and \$2.50 rail drinks and margaritas. Wings and other appetizers are half-price as well.

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A Break From Reality

Of Montreal’s latest, ‘False Priest,’ boasts more Georgie Fruit, plus Janelle Monae

Album Review

“The Past Is a Grotesque Animal,” the 12-minute gamechanger on Of Montreal’s 2007 concept album “Hissing Fauna, Are You the Destroyer?,” documents founding member Kevin Barnes’ transformation into his gender-bending alter ego, Georgie Fruit.

Fruit is a 40-something, black former funk singer who was a man, then became a women, but eventually decided he was better off as God made him. The 36-year-old Barnes channels the character on “Hissing Fauna’s” second half, singing, “I’ve got my Georgie Fruit on/ He’s my dark mutation/ For my demented past time,” in “Labyrinthian Pomp.”

With “False Priest,” Of Montreal’s 10th release, the distinction between Barnes and Fruit is even narrower. “At first I think it was a foreign entity in a way, or it felt like I was role-playing,” Barnes said of Fruit. “But now I’ve been absorbed by it. I think it’s a good device for artists to have.”

Easily Of Montreal’s funkiest album, “False Priest” continues the hyper-sexual songwriting of 2008’s “Skeletal Lamping.” It also marks the first album Barnes recorded with an outside producer, the



Of Montreal’s Kevin Barnes is ready to transport show-goers to a strange new place. Hey, Janelle Monae and Solange Knowles!

In His Words



Express asked Barnes to guide us through the funky, sexual, futuristic world of

“False Priest” track-by-track. Visit expressnightout.com for the rest.

- ▶ **I FEEL YA’ STRUTTER:** “Pretty much on every song on the record I was trying to emote as much as possible and listening to Marvin Gaye — he’s been sort of my primary vocal influence as of late.”
- ▶ **OUR RIOTOUS DEFECTS:** (WITH JANELLE MONAE) “There’s truth to everything. It’s definitely a bit of a fantasy song. But there’s definitely moments from my life I put into it.”

“We never want to break the illusion that you’re being transported to another reality.”

— KEVIN BARNES, ON OF MONTREAL’S SHOWS WITH JANELLE MONAE.

acclaimed Jon Brion. Barnes left the comfort of his home studio and brought Brion a finished version of the album to re-think. Brion ended up adding to nearly every song, incorporating a booming bottom end and playing nearly as many instruments as Barnes.

“False Priest” is also notable for two collaborators: futuristic neo-soul vixen Janelle Monae

and Beyonce’s little sister, Solange. Monae will open most shows on the band’s fall tour, which stops in D.C. Monday and Tuesday nights. Typical Of Montreal performances are high on art and chaos — with frequent costume changes, revolving set pieces and a supporting cast — sort of like the indie version of a Lady Gaga production.

“We’re really going to collaborate completely for every moment in the show,” Barnes said. “We never want to break the illusion that you’re being transported into this other reality.”

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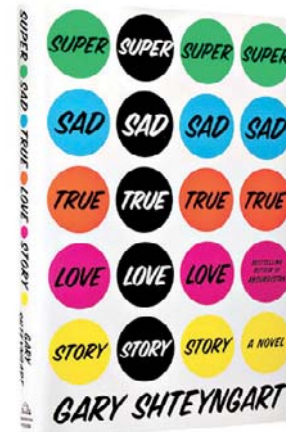


1 Red in Tooth And Claw

If you didn't make it to the beach this summer, you can console yourself with "Jaws," which reminds every one of us that the ocean is a death trap and should we be foolish enough to frolic in it we will be rewarded with swift and toothy mauling. Wait, it's about man's triumph over nature? Really? OK. **AFI Silver Theatre, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; Mon., Sept. 13, 9:15 p.m.; 301-495-6720, afi.com/silver. (Silver Spring)**

2 First Look

The African Continuum Theatre is hosting a series of readings this month to showcase new plays and encourage diversity in the playwriting community. The first is tonight's "Cherokee Rose," which tells the story of an African-American family whose patriarch has a terrible secret. **Atlas Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE; Mon., Sept. 13, 7:30 p.m., free but R.S.V.P.s to 202-529-5763 are required; 202-399-7993, Atlasarts.org.**



3 That Book With the Dots

Whether you're into "Super Sad True Love Story" — a May-September dystopia — or not, there's no way to dislike Gary Shteyngart. He's Russian! He's hilarious! He talks about drinking a bottle of vodka a day and pretends he can't read for the amusement of YouTube viewers! **Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; Sept. 13, 7 p.m., free; 202-364-1919, Politics-prose.com. (Van Ness)**

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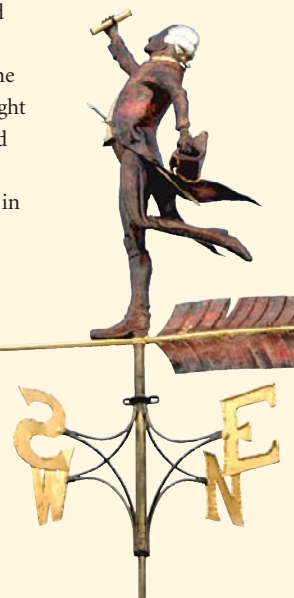
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Universal Soldier

Bye, Master Chief?
‘Halo: Reach’ players
will fight as Noble Six

Gaming

Since fans lined up at midnight nearly three years ago for the release of the last “Halo,” a recession struck, President Barack Obama took office and “Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2” became the best-selling shooter game of all time. When the prequel “Halo: Reach” debuts Sept. 14, it will land in a very different world.

“Halo” achieved status as a cultural phenomenon in 2007 with Master Chief, the armored hero of the original trilogy, adorning french fry wrappers, soda cans and a race car. The sci-fi shoot-’em-up became a cash cow for Microsoft, spawning novels, toys and apparel, and boosting sales of Xboxes.

“It could’ve been a game we phoned in,” said Marcus Lehto, creative director at Bungie Studios. “It could’ve been our last game, and we just said, ‘OK! This is our last ‘Halo.’ Goodbye!’ We didn’t want

to do that. You’d think we’re crazy, because we went back and decided that the ‘Halo 3’ engine wasn’t capable of accommodating the vision we had for ‘Reach.’”

Instead of personifying Spartan super-soldier Master Chief, players become Noble Six, a mysterious new member of the Noble Team, a group of hardened Spartans tasked with deterring The Covenant alien force from obliterating the planet Reach.

“One of the things we wanted to do with ‘Reach’ is to allow players to truly invest themselves in their Spartan character, and make their own unique Spartan,” said Lehto.

DERRIK J. LANG (AP)



Not a Cult Favorite

In ‘The 19th Wife,’
a polygamist sect
is rocked by murder

TV Review

Almost every horror movie evokes the same audience response: “Get the heck out of the house!” But characters never learn. The new woman-in-peril drama “The 19th Wife” (9 p.m., Lifetime) will have viewers screaming “Get the heck out of the cult!”

Set in the compound of a renegade Mormon sect, “Wife” opens with the murder of a church elder



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at the hands of one of his many brides. Becklyn (Patricia Wettig) is set up to take the fall.

Only the arrival of her estranged and excommunicated son Jordan (Matt Czuchy) upsets the creepy

prophet’s plan to put Becklyn away. Jordan’s aided by Queenie (Chyler Leigh), a wife who doesn’t believe Becklyn was capable of homicide. Queenie is inspired by a forbidden book, “The 19th Wife,” by one Brigham Young’s many spouses. The tale becomes a movie within the movie.

As a whodunit, “Wife” works nicely, and the identity of the real killer comes as a bit of a surprise. But “Wife” is really an expose of the strange world of polygamy, a cult old and new where women are both victims and enablers of their oppressors. **KEVIN MCDONOUGH** (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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TLC 8:00 Little People, Big World Amy and Matt's public speaking schedule takes a toll on their family. They're used to Dad being away, but when Mom is gone, too, things get seriously out of whack.

TNT 9:00 The Closer After two paramedics are murdered, the LAPD and the FBI launch separate investigations into a case that could be the precursor to a terrorist attack. Kyra Sedgewick, right, stars.

SHO 10:30 The Big C Determined to be more spontaneous and carefree, Cathy cashes out her retirement savings and buys a convertible. Paul (Oliver Platt, left) rediscovers his love for rugby in the new episode "Playing the Cancer Car." (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



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WORLD OF JENKS

MTV 10:00 Fans of the MTV series "True Life" should enjoy the documentary series "World of Jenks." Filmmaker Jenks, 24, offers viewers a chance to understand what it's like to be homeless or a young man with autism or a best-selling recording artist, or to work as a pro-cheerleader. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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No Plot to Spoil

Blair (Leighton Meester, above) is startled when Chuck (Ed Westwick) comes to Paris with a new beauty. Serena (Blake Lively) avoids deciding which boyfriend to return to. Dan (Penn Badgley) and Georgina's (Michelle Trachtenberg) drama continues as "Gossip Girl" (9 p.m. on CW) begins. (TM)



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weddings **lookout****Justin Cuddy, Amy Meininger**

Justin, 28, is a consultant. Amy, 26, works in marketing. They live in D.C.

THE MAIN EVENT: A formal wedding in a D.C. hotel, preceded by a photo shoot at Lafayette Square in front of the White House.

HOW THEY MET: In college. Justin helped Amy move into her dorm room.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS: "What kind of name is Cuddy?" — which Justin goes by. "Everyone calls me that," he says.

FIRST DATE: On Valentine's Day. They got dinner and saw "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days."

HOW HE PROPOSED: "I knew she'd figure it out if I took her somewhere special," says Justin, so he popped the question in their apartment surrounded by flowers and candles.

THEIR SONG: "Next Year" by the Foo Fighters. "Before our first break in college after we started dating, we danced to it as our farewell," says Amy.

STUPIDEST FIGHT: "We only fight when we get lost in the car," says Amy. "That's why we got a GPS," says Justin.

WEDDING JITTERS: Amy fears that "none of the six children in our wedding party will make it down the aisle."



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DEE LINDSEY

**Jonathan Dinkin, Amy Meldrum**

Jonathan, 29, is an IT specialist. Amy, 29, works for USAID. They live in Fairfax.

THE MAIN EVENT: On Sept. 25, they'll say "I do" in a "pretty laid back" ceremony at a Fairfax hotel. John Williams' "Olympic Fanfare and Theme" is the processional. A friend of Amy's from the Peace Corps will officiate.

HOW THEY MET: On eHarmony.

FIRST DATE: Paddleboating in the Tidal Basin, then dinner at Old Ebbitt Grill and a movie.

HOW HE PROPOSED: At the Jefferson Memorial. On the Saturday he'd hoped to pop the question, she injured her hand playing softball and they spent the night in the E.R.

STUPIDEST FIGHT: Over how exactly to follow a recipe. "Jonathan insisted that the food was not going to taste right if every granule of sugar was not counted."

MAKING IT UNIQUE: The table centerpieces will be giant (edible) cupcakes. The guest book is a giant map and a hollowed-out globe will serve as a basket for cards. Also, the bridesmaids can wear whatever they want.

MMM, CAKE: "Our cake to cut will be in the shape of a softball diamond and will have bride and groom cake toppers playing softball," says Amy. There's an ice cream bar, too.

Marc Masters, Angela Miller

Marc, 42, is a freelance film editor and music journalist. Angela, 36, is a civil rights analyst. They live in Arlington.

THE MAIN EVENT: On Sept. 25 in an Arlington park. The ceremony "will be very casual, and incorporate elements from different religious traditions because I like to keep all the bases covered," says Angela.

HONEYMOON: Biking around Colombia and sunning themselves on the country's coast.

HOW THEY MET: Online, via the personals on Nerve.com.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS: "I hoped Marc was the guy I was there to meet." "She was cuter than I even hoped!"



FIRST DATE: The Red Derby on 14th Street.

HOW HE PROPOSED: They walked out to the Fells Point pier in Baltimore, and as they looked over the water, he gave her the ring. "I figured he was up to something when we were stuck in traffic near the harbor ... it didn't seem like the most direct route from Hampden to the highway!"

THEIR SONG: "I Love to Singa," as sung by a Warner Bros. cartoon character named Owl Jolson. "We laugh about this song a lot," says Angela.

MAKING IT UNIQUE: They're mashing up cultures for the wedding: Angela will wear a Chinese qipao dress, they'll serve Lebanese food, drink British gin and play American rock and roll. Both will get wedding-band tattoos ... as Marc says, they're "eco-friendly and, I hope, pain-free!"

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Yesterday's Results

HAS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE 9/11 ATTACKS BEEN MARRED BY CONTROVERSY?



"Most certainly. The media circus surrounding the Koran-burning pastor illustrates this cowardly dynamic even more extremely."

COMMENTER V

"No, the 9/11 attacks were marred by the idiotic decision to invade Iraq. Everything else is just a sad made-for-TV sideshow."

COMMENTER *WWLGD

"Pain is inevitable, agony is optional. Time to stop agonizing."

COMMENTER JON CARLYLE

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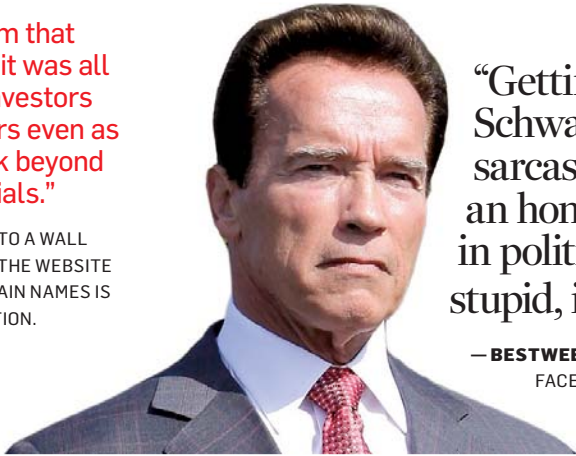
"What a crock. This entire industry is based on relationships of some sort. So now it's a problem? Gimme a break."

— A COMMENTER AT DEADLINE.COM THINKS CHARGES OF FAVORITISM LEVELED AGAINST QUENTIN TARANTINO AT THE VENICE FILM FESTIVAL ARE POINTLESS. TARANTINO IS A JUDGE ON THE PANEL THAT AWARDED HIS EX-GIRLFRIEND SOFIA COPPOLA THE GOLDEN LION FOR HER FILM "SOMEWHERE."



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"Getting ripped on by Arnold Schwarzenegger by means of a sarcastic Facebook update is almost an honor though, isn't it? Geezzzzz – in politics, when you say something stupid, it really does just never go away."

— BESTWEEKEVER.TV WAS AMUSED BY THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S FACEBOOK UPDATE OVER THE WEEKEND THAT READ "OVER ANCHORAGE, AK. LOOKING EVERYWHERE BUT CAN'T SEE RUSSIA FROM HERE."



"This is beyond idiotic. Out of all days in the world, Mr. Pablo got arrested for carrying a concealed weapon in an airport ON SEPTEMBER 11TH."

— HIPHOP-N-MORE.COM CAN'T BELIEVE THAT RAPPER PETEY PABLO, WHOSE REAL NAME IS MOSES BARRETT III, WAS ARRESTED AT THE RALEIGH-DURHAM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AFTER SECURITY SPOTTED A GUN IN HIS CARRY-ON BAG.



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Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A good time can be had by all, thanks to you and your ability to shape an experience in a way that promotes the good and minimizes — or even eliminates — the bad.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) What you see isn't necessarily what you get; you'll want to examine certain issues closely in order to assess how best to proceed when things become more complicated.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You may find yourself in the hot seat early, but you can turn this to your advantage and surprise others with your strength of character and your ability to adjust.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) When you find yourself down, the best thing you can do is pick yourself up — for no one else is likely to help you just yet.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You may be called upon to repeat a past success, but you don't have to do it in the very same way in order to get the same — or better — results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your concern for another will impress those around you, and should enable you to make decisions that benefit the group.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You must be willing and able to follow directions; there's no room for improvisation.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Others may advise you to let sleeping dogs lie, but you know that if you don't nip a certain situation in the bud, you'll be paying for it for quite a while.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A reunion of sorts can be expected, and you'll want to be ready for anything when conflicting parties get together.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Now is no time to say that your work is good enough. Make sure that everything with your name on it is top-notch.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A fast pace isn't necessarily best for you. Don't do anything in such a way that you let certain small details slip past you unrecognized or unaddressed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You'll want to have your hand in making things better for everyone around you. You have many good ideas.

Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 150-160, BEST SCORE 219

A ₁	A ₁	G ₂	D ₂	M ₃	P ₃	R ₁

A ₁	E ₁	I ₁	J ₈	N ₁	S ₁	B ₃

A ₁	E ₁	G ₂	L ₁	N ₁	P ₃	S ₁

A ₁	I ₁	Y ₄	L ₁	N ₁	C ₃	C ₃

Double
Word Score

3rd Letter
Triple

RACK 1

RACK 2

RACK 3

RACK 4

Yesterday's Solution

S ₁	A ₁	L ₁	T ₁	B ₃	O ₁	X ₈	RACK 1 =	82
F ₄	A ₁	C ₃	E ₁	T ₁	E ₁	D ₂	RACK 2 =	65
Y ₄	A ₁	M ₃	M ₃	E ₁	R ₁		RACK 3 =	13
B ₃	I ₁	F ₄	O ₁	C ₃	A ₁	L ₁	RACK 4 =	64
PAR SCORE 155-165							TOTAL	224

FOUR RACK TOTAL

Make a 2-7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get a 50-point bonus. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. Scrabble is a trademark of Hasbro in the U.S. and Canada.

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6							7
		8	1	3	9		
8	6			9		7	4
			8		6		
9	2			4			1
		7	6		4	2	
2							1
	3		7	1		9	

Yesterday's Solution

5	3	9	7	2	4	8	1	6
7	4	8	5	1	6	9	2	3
6	1	2	3	9	8	4	5	7
2	6	4	8	3	1	5	7	9
3	7	1	4	5	9	2	6	8
9	8	5	6	7	2	3	4	1
4	5	6	1	8	3	7	9	2
1	2	3	9	4	7	6	8	5
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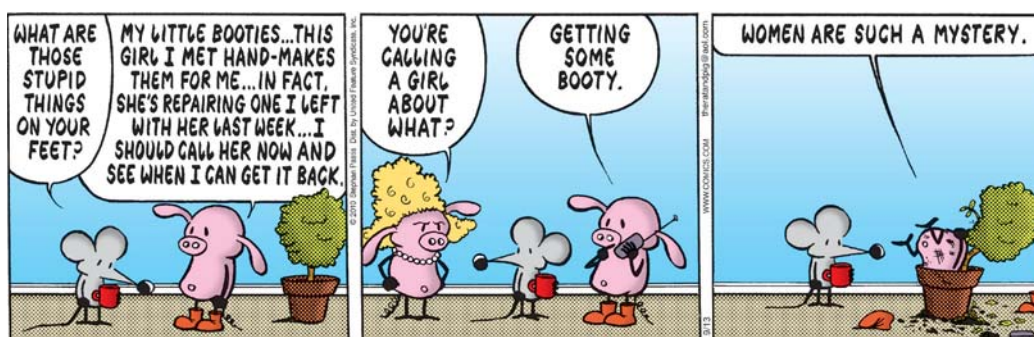
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Today: Fog during the morning; otherwise, mostly sunny today. Clear tonight.

82 | 60

Tomorrow: A full day of sunshine tomorrow. Clear tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

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75 | 57 76 | 65 80 | 63

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Sunset today: 7:20 p.m.
Moonrise today: 12:59 p.m.
Moonset today: 10:32 p.m.

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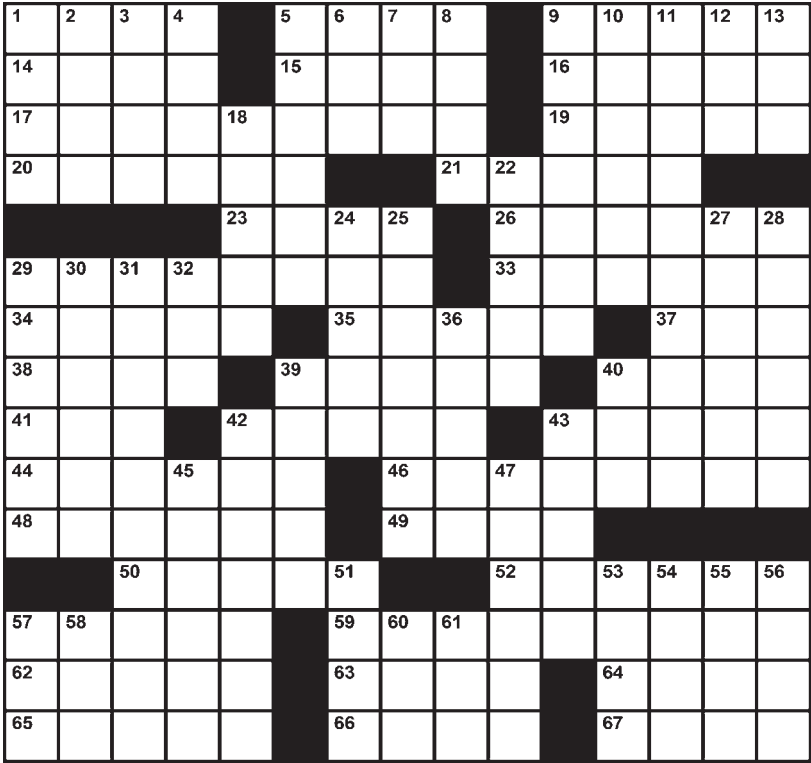
DRINK UP!

ACROSS

- 1 Blood vessel
- 5 Fish's breathing organ
- 9 Big ray
- 14 Beige shade
- 15 Solo at La Scala
- 16 Epic about the Trojan War
- 17 Short snort container
- 19 Fatty substance
- 20 Throat feature
- 21 Oklahoma oil city
- 23 Spanish port?
- 26 Tuning fork pair
- 29 Frisco transport
- 33 Treeless arctic plain
- 34 Butter wannabes
- 35 Shakespearean title role
- 37 "A Christmas Carol" boy
- 38 One who's in your corner
- 39 Missionary's target
- 40 "Les Miserables" author Victor
- 41 "Stop filming!"
- 42 Prison camp
- 43 Spinal bases
- 44 Like some chiefs or councils
- 46 Velvety cotton fabric
- 48 Mexican misters
- 49 "Young Frankenstein" hunchback
- 50 One who's doomed
- 52 Cause of atrophy
- 57 Penniless
- 59 Homer-filled games
- 62 Nanook of the North, e.g.
- 63 Carpenter's clamp
- 64 Bring in the crops
- 65 Sees romantically
- 66 A fruit to poach
- 67 Irritable

DOWN

- 1 Bulletproof garment
- 2 Acoustical engineer's concern
- 3 Work out the wrinkles?
- 4 Cocktail party munchies



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- 5 French
- 6 Certain savings acct.
- 7 Fleur-de-____ (symbol on Quebec's flag)
- 8 After everybody else
- 9 Water wheel's channel
- 10 Country singer Krauss
- 11 Face-lift, e.g.
- 12 ____ chi
- 13 Arithmetic directive
- 18 Shows generosity
- 22 "Dragon's Teeth" author Sinclair
- 24 Birth-related
- 25 Paper-folding art
- 27 African amulet (Var.)
- 28 Resident of Apia
- 29 Works together (with)
- 30 Magnetism

- 31 Singing and then some
- 32 "The Thin Man" actress Myrna
- 36 One of the two battling nations at Armageddon
- 39 One of the vital signs
- 40 "The Mirror ____ Two Faces"
- 42 January birthstones
- 43 Font embellishment
- 45 Wager taker
- 47 Boarder
- 51 "Answer, please" (Abbr.)
- 53 All dried out
- 54 Car dealership category
- 55 Guys-only party

- 56 Catch a glimpse of
- 57 Bridge player's call
- 58 Biochem strand
- 60 Myth
- 61 World Baseball Classic team

Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1959 Elvis Presley first meets his future wife, 14-year-old Priscilla Beaulieu, while stationed in West Germany with the U.S. Army.

2009 At the MTV Video Music Awards, Taylor Swift's acceptance speech for best female video for "You Belong with Me" is disrupted by Kanye West, who took the microphone to say Beyonce should have won instead."

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**RECONCILIATIONS****Translation: 'Here's Money, Now Shut Up'**

Lady Gaga and and songwriter-producer Rob Fusari agreed to dismiss the lawsuits each filed against the other. "Lady Gaga and Rob Fusari have agreed to end their dispute amicably and wish each other well," the singer's camp said in a statement. Fusari had said Gaga shoehorned him out of her lucrative career after he made her a star. (AP)

GROSS**Twitter: Your Friendly Interface Directly Into Jon Gosselin's Brain**

Jon Gosselin responded via Twitter to Kate Gosselin's claim that their kids hate spending time at his place. "I basically wait for the phone call from how many of them want to come home," she said Friday on "Live With Regis and Kelly." "As much as I want to respond to numerous LIES ... I will refrain," he wrote. "I am 'rising above,'" he added. (EXPRESS)

**ONLY POSSIBLE REASONING****'I Need a Charismatic Scientologist STAT And Tom Cruise Is Busy'**

Oprah Winfrey will dance onto her set in the arms of John Travolta on the first episode of her 25th and final season, which starts Monday. The pair glide hand-in-hand through her stage doors to "Love Train" by the O'Jays. Though Winfrey has been tightlipped, other celebrity guests have been hinted at. (AP)



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TRIUMPHANT RETURNS**Back From the Wild?**

Spencer Pratt was arrested for illegal possession of a firearm when he tried to leave Costa Rica over the weekend. He was quickly released. "I mistakenly brought my hunting weapons to the airport. It was an honest mistake, and they sent me on my way," he said in a statement. TMZ confirmed that an official document from Costa Rica, bore Pratt's name along with the Spanish words for guilty, "charged" and "prosecution." (EXPRESS)

Wifey Watch**Garbage In, Garbage Out**

Real Housewife of D.C. Michaela Salahi is being sued by her plastic surgeon, who told TMZ.com that she never paid him in full for several "procedures" he did in April. (Sources told TMZ the procedures were Botox injections.) A rep for Salahi says the party-crasher paid her bill. (EXPRESS)

"She's a role model. A mother, business-woman, [who's] cooking, cleaning the house — and her kids always look ... amazing!"



— **NAOMI CAMPBELL**, WHO TOLD ANDY COHEN ON BRAVO'S "WATCH WHAT HAPPENS: LIVE" THAT SHE THINKS TERESA GIUDICE IS A GREAT WOMAN AND AN EXAMPLE TO ALL.

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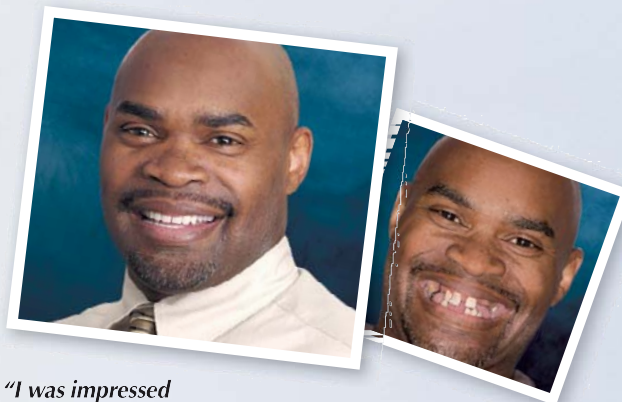


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